UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT DISTRICT OF MINNESOTA

In re:	BKY No. 09-47844 ADV No. 09
Donna Jo Spangler,	
Debtor.	
Randall L. Seaver, Trustee,	
Plaintiff,	
vs.	COMPLAINT
Todd A. Spangler and Donna Jo Spangler,	
Defendants.	

Randall L. Seaver, Trustee ("Trustee") of the Bankruptcy Estate of Donna Jo Spangler ("Debtor") as and for his Complaint against Defendants Todd A. Spangler and Donna Jo Spangler ("Defendants"), states and alleges as follows:

- 1. Trustee is the duly appointed Chapter 7 Trustee of the bankruptcy estate of the Debtor.
- 2. This bankruptcy case was commenced on November 19, 2009 by the filing of a voluntary Chapter 7 petition.
- 3. This adversary proceeding is a core proceeding within the meaning of 28 U.S.C. \$157(b)(2) and 1334. This proceeding arises under 11 U.S.C. §§ 547 and 550.

COUNT ONE: 11 U.S.C. §547

4. The Trustee realleges the foregoing paragraphs of this Complaint.

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- 5. That Defendant Todd A. Spangler is the brother of the Debtor.
- 6. That Defendant Todd A. Spangler had loaned the debtor monies at various times prior to 2009, and was owed \$19,000 by the Debtor in October, 2009.
- 7. That on or about October 15, 2009, which is within a year of the Debtor's filing, Debtor transferred a security interest in her 2006 Hummer, VIN # SGTDN136068213588, to the Defendant Todd A. Spangler.
- 8. A copy of the certificate of title recording the Defendant's security interest in the 2006 Hummer, VIN # SGTDN136068213588, is attached as Exhibit A.
- 9. That said transfer was made while the Debtor was insolvent, and will enable Defendant Todd A. Spangler to recover more than he would receive as a creditor if: (a) the bankruptcy case was a case under chapter 7 of title 11, United States Code; (b) the transfer had not been made; and (c) the Defendant received payment of his debt to the extent provided by the provisions of said title 11.
- 10. The transfer of the 2006 Hummer, VIN # SGTDN136068213588, is avoidable pursuant to 11 U.S.C. §547. The transfer was not a contemporaneous exchange. *Bergquist v. Fidelity Mortgage Decisions Corporation (In re Alexander)* 219 B.R. 255 (Bankr.D.Minn.1998).
- 11. The Trustee may avoid and recover said transfer pursuant to 11 U.S.C. § 547 and § 550, with the transfer preserved for the estate pursuant to 11 U.S.C. § 551.

WHEREFORE, the Trustee requests judgment of the court as follows:

- Avoiding the above transfer of a \$19,000 security interest in the 2006 Hummer,
 VIN # SGTDN136068213588, to the Defendant and preserving the transfer for the benefit of the bankruptcy estate; and
- 2. Entering judgment against the Defendant for the value of the transfer, \$19,000.00; and
 - 3. Awarding the Plaintiff his costs and disbursements in this action; and

- 4. Entering an Order requiring the Debtor to turn over the Hummer to the Trustee within seven (7) days of the Order being entered; and
 - 5. Such other and further relief as the court deems just and equitable.

FULLER, SEAVER & RAMETTE, P.A.

Dated: January <u>8</u>, 2010 By: <u>/e/ Matthew D. Swanson</u>

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